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In re Application of	:	DECISION ON
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Application No.: 10/538,751	:	
PCT No.: PCT/NL2003/000843	:	
Int. Filing Date: 28 November 2003	:	PETITION UNDER
Priority Date: 02 December 2002	:	
Attorney's Docket No.: 903-138 PCT/ISUS	:	
For: ROULETTE DEVICE WITH PROGRESSIVE	:	
JACKPOT	:	37 CFR 1.137(b)

This decision is in response to applicant's "Petition For Revival Of An International Application For Patent Designating The U.S. Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)," filed on 10 June 2005.

BACKGROUND

On 28 November 2003, this international application was filed, claiming an earliest priority date of 19 July 2002.

The deadline for paying the basic national fee in the United States under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495 was 02 June 2005. This international application became abandoned with respect to the United States at midnight on 02 June 2005 for failure to pay the required basic national fee.

On 10 June 2005, applicant filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the U.S. under 35 U.S.C. 371, which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the copy of the international application, and a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b). However, the no executed declaration or oath was provided at such time.

DISCUSSION

A grantable petition to revive an abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by (1) the required reply, unless previously filed. In a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application; (2) the petition fee as set forth in § 1.17(m); and (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional. The Commissioner may require additional information where there is a question whether the delay was unintentional; and (4) any

terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in § 1.20 (d)) required pursuant to paragraph (c) of this section.

Petitioner has provided: (1) the proper reply by submitting the basic national filing fee, (2) the petition fee set forth in §1.17(m) and (3) the proper statement under 137(b)(3). In this application, no terminal disclaimer is required.

Accordingly, the petition is deemed to satisfy requirements (1), (2), (3), and (4) under 37 CFR 1.137(b).

DECISION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

This application is being returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for continued processing.



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